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Sir:

In conversation with an attorney for the inventors, the Examiner suggested resubmitting IDS forms, which were originally submitted December 20, 2001. Two of the previously submitted forms were copies of initialed forms from a parent case. The Examiner was unable to consider them in the present case because of the initialing. The Examiner suggested simply resubmitting the forms with the initialing removed. An Information Disclosure Statement was submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office on June 18, 2003, in accordance with this suggestion.

Upon further consideration, however, Applicants believe it would be more helpful to the Examiner to have new IDS forms listing the references submitted December 20, 2001. Such new forms are enclosed. The 2001 submission included a form PTO-892, which provides no location for initialing. In the replacement IDS form enclosed herewith, the references are listed in a form that allows for initialing of each and every reference. Also, date and title information was added to certain entries to comply with Patent Office rules.

The references are not enclosed since they were already submitted.

Applicants thank the Examiner for suggesting in paragraph 8 of the Notice of Allowability and in a telephone conversation that the Information Disclosure Statement may be re-submitted for consideration. Also, because the references were cited in a

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parent case, they are familiar to the Examiner and consideration now is not believed to be burdensome.

Because the Examiner has had these references to consider since the case was filed, it is believed that no additional fee is due for the present submission of the revised IDS forms.

If a fee is due, please charge deposit account number 03-2775.

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